

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-10 and 14-16 without prejudice.

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11. (Presently amended) ~~The gun safety device defined in claim 10 including~~

A gun safety device for preventing unauthorized or accidental use of the same  
comprising:

a solid body of material sized to fit into the cartridge chamber of a selected gun, said solid body having an outwardly directed flange at one end thereof for engaging an end wall surrounding entry into said cartridge chamber and a threaded bore extending inwardly a selected distance from and end of said body opposite said one end, resilient means on said body defining an o-ring that projects outwardly therefrom frictionally engaging a wall of said cartridge chamber surrounding said solid body, said solid body including an annular groove extending about the periphery of said body and wherein said O-ring fits into said groove said O-ring resisting rotation of said solid body in the cartridge chamber when rotating an elongated threaded rod during installing or removing said solid body and a muzzle plug;

said muzzle plug insertable into an open outer end of the barrel of the gun, said muzzle plug having an outwardly directed flange at one end thereof that is engagable with an outer end of said gun barrel, said flange having an annular outwardly projecting rib having a tapered outer end face portion surrounding said recess in said plug creating a chamfered edge;

said muzzle plug having an outer end face at said one end thereof;

said muzzle plug having a longitudinal axis, wherein said first recess is circular forming a wall concentric with said axis;

said outer end face includes a first recess for receiving a body of a key, and a second pin receiving recess located in said first recess offset from a longitudinal axis of the said plug;

said elongate rod being threaded along at least a portion at opposing ends thereof for threading into said threaded bore in said solid body and for threading into a threaded bore of said muzzle plug for connecting said solid body to said muzzle plug.

said key having an end portion projecting therefrom sized and shaped for close mating fit relation in said first recess and a second projection defining a pin for mating with said second pin receiving recess;

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Please add new claim 18 as follows:

--18. (New) A gun safety device for preventing unauthorized or accidental use of the same comprising:

a solid body of material sized to fit into the cartridge chamber of a selected gun, said solid body having an outwardly directed flange at one end thereof for engaging an end wall surrounding entry into said cartridge chamber and a threaded bore extending inwardly a selected distance from and end of said body opposite said one end, holding means on said solid body defining at least one resilient pin radiating outwardly from an outer surface of said solid body frictionally engaging a wall of said cartridge chamber surrounding said solid body;

a muzzle plug insertable into an open outer end of the barrel of the gun, said muzzle plug having an outwardly directed flange at one end thereof that is engagable with an outer end of said gun barrel, said flange having an annular outwardly projecting rib having a tapered outer end face portion surrounding said recess in said plug creating a chamfered edge;

said muzzle plug having an outer end face at said one end thereof;

said muzzle plug having a longitudinal axis, wherein said first recess is circular forming a wall concentric with said axis;

said outer end face includes a first recess for receiving a body of a key, and a second pin receiving recess located in said first recess offset from a longitudinal axis of the said plug;

an elongate rod threaded along at least a portion at opposing ends thereof for threading into said threaded bore in said solid body and for threading into a threaded bore of said muzzle plug for

connecting said solid body to said muzzle plug.

said key having an end portion projecting therefrom sized and shaped for close mating fit relation in said first recess and a second projection defining a pin for mating with said second pin receiving recess.--